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- c. "A" Detachment
- 1) Headquarters detail
 - 2) Quartermaster
 - 3) Party Unit Chapter
 - 4) SCM (Czech Youth Federation) Chapter
 - 5) Education Officer
 - 6) Physical Training Officer
 - 7) "Cadres" Commission. This commission selects personnel from reliable Communists for the "cadre" companies. It also makes individual assignments and controls the political activities of every member. A three-man sub-commission has disciplinary powers; it reviews sentences imposed upon unit members and has the power to increase the terms of such sentences.
- d. "B" Detachment consisting of four companies which guard the homes of government officials; this task was formerly assigned to the now defunct "Lipa" Detachment. Lt. Peroutka is the commanding officer of "B" Detachment. 50X1-HUM
- e. "C" Detachment composed of four companies from which guards for government buildings are drawn.
- f. "D" Detachment composed of four companies which guard the Parliament, Radio Palace, and the Strasnice and Karlin broadcasting stations. The Radio Palace guard detail consists of about 40 men armed with light machine guns. Weapons and ammunition for the employees are stored inside the building. Personnel of "D" Detachment wear plain clothes and are not permitted to wear military uniforms.
- g. "G" Detachment consisting of four companies with 400 men. The first company, "T" Company, is the escort pool. The second company, "R" Company, observes, controls and even interrogates visitors of foreign embassies, consular services, and information centers. The third company disposes of escort details, and the fourth company, which is composed of STB personnel, screens persons living in the vicinities of homes of government members and examines any item sent to such homes.
- h. "Javor" (Maple Tree) Detachment, which was formed in January 1950 from the "CH" (Cadre) Company and which is located on Celetna Street, Prague. It has 400 men assigned to three companies: "Javor" I, "Javor" II, and "Javor" III. Members of the "Javor" Detachment are selected from the most devoted supporters of the government and of the Communist Party. Their function is to guard vital Communist Party installations such as the Central Secretariat, the Party Investigation Commission, the Svoboda publishing house, and the Regional Party Secretariat. In addition, this detachment is responsible for the security of party officials and their homes. Party Secretary Slansky, Security Minister Koprivá, Cominform member Gominder, Deputy Hodinova, and several other members of the Central Committee are guarded by this group. Capt. Paval is commanding officer of "Javor"; he is a relative of General Pavel. 50X1-HUM
- i. "Hrad" Detachment with a strength of 200 men, whose assignment is to guard the President and to perform escort duties. When the "Javor" Detachment was formed, the "Hrad" Detachment was transferred and it is now quartered in the Prague Castle. The commanding officer is 1st Lt. Nemeš.
- j. STB Detachment with a strength of 200 men. They wear plain clothes and are supplied with cover-name identity cards, special badges and railroad tickets providing free transportation on all trains. Some personnel are trained for searching of apartments or hotels before the arrival of prominent visitors. Others are trained for screening personnel and domestic help or persons living in adjacent buildings. Capt. Kadlec is the commanding officer.

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- K. "Doprovodka" Detachment. This detachment was originally a part of the STB Detachment. Members are assigned as bodyguards (osobni) to prominent persons, escorting them to their offices and homes and on official and private trips including trips abroad. Every prominent person has two bodyguards, who work in shifts. These guards are specially selected from the most fanatical Communists and, after screening, are trained in the use of small weapons and grenades, close combat, jujitsu, and motor vehicle driving.
- L. "Trasa" Detachment, organized in April 1950 from 150 members of the "Jasan" Unit. By 1 May 1950, this detachment is to be increased to a strength of 400 men. Its duty is to guard roads, crossroads, and vulnerable points along the routes from homes of government members to their offices. Some of the men wear uniforms, others plain clothes.
- M. Independent Companies, consisting of Company "Q" (Technical) and Company "X", each with an average strength of 100-150 men. Company "Q" is in charge of the service section, signal platoon and motor pool, while Company "X" is responsible for guarding a building at Winter and Pelel Streets in Prague-Bubenec, where underground laboratories are reported to be located. Company "X" was transferred from the "Jasan" Unit to Bubenec.

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